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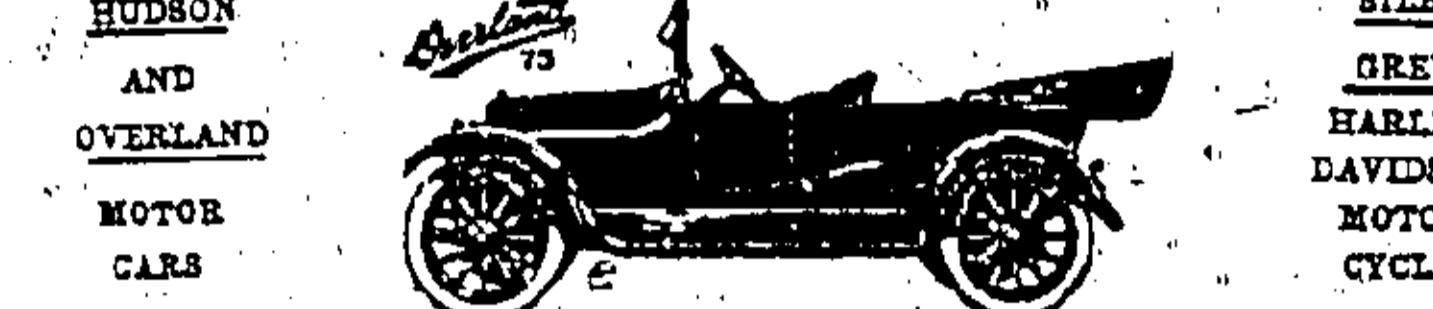
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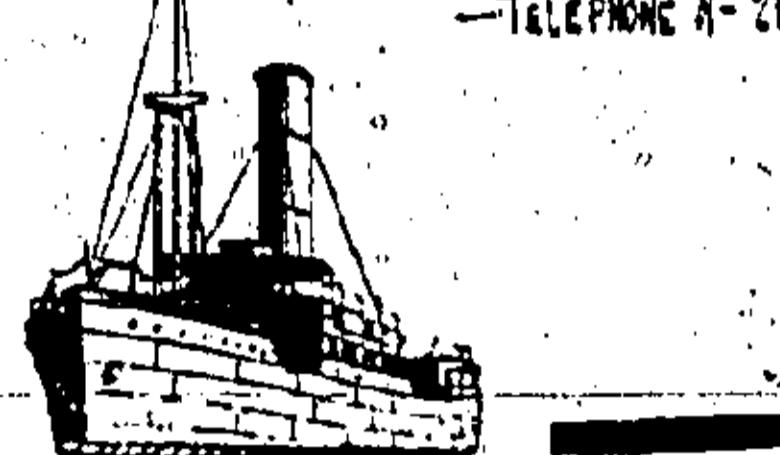
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## THE WAR.

### TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the "China Mail".)

### RUSSIAN CRISIS.

KORNILOFF'S ADVANCED TROOPS.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 12.

General Korniloff's advanced troops have reached Gatchina, which is less than 20 miles from the Capital.

M. Philomenko, the Government Commissioner at Headquarters who was arrested by General Korniloff, has been released, and has returned to Petrograd.

Legal proceedings have been instituted against General Korniloff.

M. Tolstoy, Minister of Agriculture, has resigned in order not to create difficulties for M. Kerensky.

The garrison at Kronstadt has placed itself at the disposal of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates.

The Central Committee of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates sent to the districts Councils and to the Committees at the Front, and of the rear Army, telegrams denouncing General Korniloff and General Loukomsky, his Chief of Staff, declaring that the Government and the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates are taking all measures to repress the movement and to severely punish General Korniloff's treason and also announcing the appointment of General Klembovsky to the post of Generalissimo.

The telegrams add that measures will be taken to prevent isolated

military elements marching on Petrograd and appeals to the military Committees not to carry out any order of General Korniloff or Loukomsky.

M. Skobelev's remarks to the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates to the effect that General Korniloff had maintained a number of Government Germanophiles indicate that General Korniloff has also issued a proclamation, which has not been published.

**TO AVOID CIVIL WAR.**

The Cadet Party has agreed to participate in a re-constituted Cabinet, if that will avert civil war.

**THE PRICE OF CEREALS.**

The fixed prices of cereals have been doubled owing to the increased cost of transport.

**MARTIAL LAW IN MOSCOW.**

Martial law has been proclaimed at Moscow.

**STATEMENT BY THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY COMMITTEE.**

The Russian Provisional Military Committee has issued by wireless a statement announcing that a Workers' Militia has been organised in Petrograd.

The statement adds that the state of mind of General Korniloff's soldiers near Luga is unsettled, and that the majority of the troops at the front support the Government.

The Committee has created new departments for the following purposes: Supplying the needs of the Army; creating a bond between the regimental district committees; the defence of Petrograd; and also a Strategic Department.

The news from Russia continues to be exclusively from the Provisional Government sources.

M. Nekrassoff, Vice-President of the Council of Ministers informed a Pressman that "the political situation is perfectly favourable," adding that the Ministers had regular their posts with the exception of two.

Also that Government troops occupy

Pskoff.

If the latter statement is true the

troops must have come from the Right front.

There is no further news of Korniloff's cavalry, which was reported to

be marching to Petrograd.

## INTIMATIONS

## HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE FOURTH GYMKHANA MEETTING of the Season will be held at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, the 10th September, 1917, commencing at 3.45 p.m. The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB. Soldiers and Sailors, in uniform, Half Price.

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## LONG-PLANNED INVASION OF BELGIUM.

In a further instalment of his Memoirs, Sir James W. Gerard, former American Ambassador in Berlin, writes—

When the German Emperor in my presence invited his letter to President Wilson of August 20th, 1914, he asked that I cable immediately to the State Department and that I simultaneously give it to the press. I cabled the document immediately to the State Department at Washington, but I withheld it from publication.

My interview with the Emperor was in the morning. That afternoon a man holding a high position in Germany sent for me. I do not give his name because I do not wish to involve him in any way with the Emperor, so I shall not even indicate whether he is a royal or an official. He said—

"You had an interview to-day with the Emperor. What happened?"

I told of the message given me for the President which was intended for publication by the Emperor. He said— "I think you ought to show the message to me; you know the Emperor is a constitutional Emperor and there was once a great row about such a message."

VERY NEEDLE EXCUSE.

I showed him the message, and when he had read it he said—"I think it would be inadvisable for me to have this message published, and in the interest of good feeling between Germany and America, if you catch it ask that publication be withheld."

I complied with his request, and it is characteristic of the President's desire to preserve good relations that publication was withheld. Now, when the two countries are at war, when the whole world, and especially our own country, has an interest in knowing how this great calamity of universal war came to the earth, the time has come when this message should be given out, and I have published it by permission.

This most interesting document in the first place clears up one issue never really known in the eyes of the world—the deliberate violation of the neutrality of Belgium, whose territory "had to be violated" by Germany on strategical grounds.

The German army, drawing for reserves on the teeming populations of Russia and Siberia, would never know defeat. And this is not idle conjecture—more damning in the realm of possibilities—because the Russian revolution has shown us how weak and tottering in reality was the dreaded power of the Tsar.

Russia beaten and half-digested, France would have been an easy prey, and England, even if then joining France in war, would have had different problems.

The very weak Tsar, it is added, that "now" had been received from the Tsar, was already preparing to seize the Belgian coast from Calais to Boulogne on the mission of piracy and murder. And then our turn had

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When, on the evening of August 3rd, 1914, Von Schlesien, the German Ambassador in Paris, presented to the French Government the German "declaration of war," that document stated that: the German civil and military authorities have reported a certain number of definite acts of hostility committed on German territory by French military aviators.

Several of these have clearly violated the neutrality of Belgium in flying over the territory of this country. One of them tried to destroy structures near Wesel; others have been seen in the region of the Eifel; another has thrown bombs on the railway near Karlsruhe and Nurnberg; it will keep up the war. It cannot end soon."

It was the entry of England in the war, in defence of the rights of small nations, in defence of the guaranteed neutrality of Belgium, which saved the world from the harsh dominion of the conquest-hungry Prussians, and, therefore, saved as well the two Americas and their protecting doctrine of President Monroe.

HOLLWEG'S WAR EXPLANATION.

The document, which is dated August 10, 1914, supersedes the statement made by the German Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg in his speech before the Reichstag on August 4, 1914, in which he gave the then official account of the entrance into the war of the Central Empire.

Because the text of Bethmann-Hollweg's speech and the imperial letter to President Wilson will be studied and compared by all future historians of the war, I give below the chief part of the Chancellor's version of the facts that accompanied the German declaration of war.

It will be noted that Bethmann-Hollweg insisted that France began the war in the sentence reading: "There were bombing flights, cavalry patrols, invading companies in the Reichsland, Alsace-Lorraine. Thereby France, although the conditions of war had not yet been declared, had attacked our territory." But the Emperor makes no mention of this fact, of supreme importance if true, in his writing. President Wilson six days later, Von Bethmann-Hollweg's account in as follows:

Gentlemen, a series of documents, composed in the rush of events, is in your hands. Allow me to place before you the facts which characterize our attitude."

Sir James Gerard then quotes Bethmann-Hollweg's famous explanation in which he admitted that it was contrary to international law for German troops to enter Belgium and said that Germany would try to make good the injustice committed.

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SUNDAY, Sept. 16.—  
8.27 p.m.—New Moon.  
MONDAY, Sept. 17.—  
Jewish year 5678 begins.  
TUESDAY, Sept. 18.—  
9 p.m.—Police Reserve Band Night in  
the Public Gardens.  
THURSDAY, Sept. 20.—  
Settlement Day, Hongkong Stock  
Exchange.  
THURSDAY, Sept. 27.—  
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SATURDAY, Sept. 29.—  
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that very close interest is taken in  
the situation in America. A  
"Military Authority" in the New  
York *Herald* recently wrote:—"If the  
KERSHAW Government fails, as it  
has twice already, and the chaos is not  
promptly put down in the interest  
of the military, America may be  
called on eventually for the three  
to five million soldiers WILLIAM  
HOWARD TAFT has predicted will  
be needed before a decision is  
reached. In other words, what  
Russia fails to do in a military way  
the United States must do. We  
must restore the numerical balance  
in the scales against the Central  
Powers lost with the defection of  
the Russian armies. For every  
man lost to the Entente cause by  
Russian inaction or withdrawal we  
must furnish one or one and a half."The one thing certain is that the  
collapse of Russia will not necessarily  
mean the triumph of the Central  
Powers in the war.

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THE explanation given by the  
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admitted fact that it has been used  
by German representatives abroad as  
a telegraph office for Berlin leaves  
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if the German representative in the  
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Swedish representative there that in  
these messages which he was passing  
through Swedish diplomatic channels,  
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COUNCIL.A meeting of the Council was held  
this afternoon. H.E. the Governor,  
Sir F. HENRY MAY, K.C.M.G.,  
presided. There were also present  
H.E. Major-General F. VENTERS,  
General Officer Commanding.The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr.  
CLAUDE SEVERN, C.M.G.The Attorney-General, Hon. Mr.  
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meantime, she sent for her husband,  
but before he arrived the defendant  
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children and other occupants of the  
premises, and locked the doors, and they  
all had to sleep that night at the  
house of a friend. The defendant, the  
next day, disposed of the goods although  
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## TELEGRAMS.

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## ANOTHER MESSAGE BY M. KERENSKY.

A wireless message from Petrograd states that M. Kerensky, as Prime Minister and Commander-in-Chief, has issued the following:

To Russia's armed forces: I declare complete faith in all ranks of the Army and the Fleet.

Everyone, whether General or soldier, will be punished for the slightest disobedience.

It is time to cease playing with the country's fate.

## LEADING RUSSIAN NEWSPAPER SUPPRESSED.

It is significant that the *Nevsky* has been suppressed for publishing General Korniloff's Proclamation.

## FIGHTING ON RUSSIAN FRONT.

## GERMAN REPORT.

A German official report states:—We repulsed Russian reconnoiters between the Baltic and the Dina.

We took 8,900 prisoners in the battle of Riga and captured 325 cannon, several trains and other booty.

We repulsed five attacks south-west of Tirkul and Okta.

## JAPAN AND AMERICA.

## EQUIPMENT FOR RUSSIA.

At a conference between Mr. Lansing and Viscount Ishii, it was arranged that Japan's maritime and economic resources should be concentrated on the production of transportation and equipment for Russia.

## THE WESTERN FRONT.

## BRITISH REPULSE AN ENEMY ATTACK.

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In the course of a lively engagement we blew up many dugouts and brought back much material.

An enemy attempt to the north-east of Tahure failed under our fire with serious enemy losses.

We repulsed two attacks on our advanced posts to the north of Caours. Wood and to the north of Ronvau.

Enemy aeroplanes bombed Dunkirk. There were several civilian victims.

## GERMAN REPORT.

A German official report says:—We repulsed a French advance astride the Somme-Souain road and brought down 12 enemy aviators.

## BRITISH NAVAL AIR OPERATIONS.

## BOMBING MILITARY POSITIONS IN BELGIUM.

The Admiralty announces that many operations by the Naval Air Service have been carried out during the past 24 hours.

One of our patrols shot down an enemy machine into the sea; another landed in our lines and the crew were made prisoners. We shot down two other machines and drove down five enemy machines during a bombing raid.

We bombed the St. Denis Westrem and Goutrude aerodromes, Bruges docks, Thorout railway junction and the railway near Ghent. Several tons of explosives were dropped. We also dropped many tons of bombs on Sparapnelhook, Thorout aerodromes and Engel ammunition dump, and bombs were exploded on hangars and a dump.

We shot down one enemy machine and all of ours returned safely.

## SWEDISH REVELATIONS.

## FURTHER COMMENTS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—The *Tribune* states that the Swedish revelations throw a lurid light on what would have been the issue of a Conference at Stockholm. The new incident will be accepted by the world as a fresh demonstration of the impossibility of making peace with Germany.

The *New York Herald* appeals to the Vatican openly to join forces with the Allies and civilisation against a nation of murderers.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—There is a sharper tone in the comments, to-day, with regard to the explanation given by Sweden, whose Foreign Office is denounced as feeble and trifling.

The papers are confident that it will not appear the resentment of the Swedish people at the treacherous action, which, if it is not disowned, will be punished and will assuredly result in prompt action on the part of the Allies.

## 64 TELEGRAMS DISPATCHED THROUGH SWEDISH LEGATION.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—A telegram from Washington states that it was known that up to July 9, 64 telegrams were despatched by the Swedish Legation at Buenos Aires to the German Foreign Office. In this connection it is recalled that the Germans received information of the departure of the American destroyers and General Pershing's transports.

## SPECIAL PLEADING.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Reuter is informed that so far the Foreign Office has no official cognizance of Sweden's reply to the American disclosures. The text of the communiqué published at Stockholm was only received late last night; therefore it is impossible to make any statement, but in competent quarters it is felt that the Swedish Note is a piece of special pleading. Even if Sweden takes the line that she was unaware of the contents of the messages, it is felt that such absence of knowledge would not relieve the complicity of the Swedish Government in an un-neutral action.

The action taken was in the highest degree un-neutral and its character was accentuated as it was in violation of definite undertakings given earlier by the Swedish Government. Sweden, too, must have known full well that the objection to the transmission of messages through Swedish official channels did not apply only to transmission to the United States, but was general. It is impossible to believe that Sweden will be content to allow the imputation upon her honour to remain.

## PASPORTS FOR COUNT LUXBURG.

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 12.—The Government has asked Germany for an explanation with regard to the Luxburg affair and has handed the German Legation passports for Count Luxburg, whose whereabouts are not known.

## THE SUBMARINE PIRACY.

## BRITISH SHIPPING REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—The Admiralty shipping returns for the week ending September 9 state:—

Arrivals ... 2,744

Departures ... 2,868

Vessels sunk (over 1,600 tons) ... 12

Vessels sunk (under 1,600 tons) ... 6

Vessels unsuccessfully attacked ... 12

Fishing vessels sunk ... 4

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## ITALIAN SHIPPING REPORT.

ROME, Sept. 12.—The Italian shipping returns for the week ending September 9 state:—

Arrivals ... 544

Departures ... 450

Vessels lost ... 0

## M. PAINLEVE FAILS TO FORM A CABINET.

PARIS, Sept. 12.—M. Painleve informed M. Poincaré that he had given up the task of forming a new Cabinet, having failed to form a Ministry of National Union.

LATER:—President Poincaré has requested M. Painleve to continue his efforts to form a Cabinet.

## RUSSIAN ACTIVITY IN THE CAUCASUS.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—A Turkish official message states:

The enemy activity has increased on the entire Caucasian front.

It was also resolved by a majority to obtain the views of the countries affiliated to the International Federation respecting the removal of the Secretariat to a neutral country.

It was further resolved to demand direct representation of workers at the peace conference.

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## ITALY'S GREAT TASK.

## 4,200,000 FIGHTING MEN MOBILISED.

ROME, Sept. 12.—The Minister of War, in an interview accorded to Reuter's Correspondent, stated that Italy has now mobilised over 4,200,000 fighting men. The Austrians have more than twice as many troops on the Italian front as at the beginning of the war, besides two-thirds of their best artillery, and an abundance of munitions. The Italian front is 400 miles, about equal to the entire west front.

## ATTACKS REPULSED AFTER A BITTER STRUGGLE.

ROME, Sept. 12.—An Italian official report states: We repulsed attacks on the Bainsizza Plateau, north-eastward of Gorizia, and, after a bitter struggle, we repulsed attacks on the crest of the western slope of Monte St. Gabriele.

## THE BALKANS.

## A FURTHER FRANCO-RUSSIAN PUSH.

ROME, Sept. 12.—A French Eastern official message states:—

The French and Russian troops, following up their recent successes, brilliantly carried the village of Pograe, on the south west bank of Lake Ohrida, and, drove back the enemy four kilometres, to the north of Pograe.

## THE WAR AND THE ALLIES' FINANCIAL POSITION.

## AMERICA'S AID.

ROME, Sept. 12.—Speaking at a luncheon of the Empire Association, given in honour of an American Member of Congress, Mr. M. McCormack, Mr. Bonar Law said that without the aid of the United States the financial position of the Allies would have been very disastrous to-day.

Those present included Lord Milner, the Rt. Hon. Mr. Walter Long, Sir Edward Carson, The Rt. Hon. Andrew Fisher, General Smuts, Lord Robert Cecil and Col. the Hon. J. J. Byron, of the South African Senate.

Mr. Bonar Law said that the Germans were past masters militarily, but, fortunately, when the question of human nature arose, they made mistakes which had more than once been the salvation of the Allies. Their greatest mistake in this connection was the driving of the United States into the war.

Lord Robert Cecil said that the profound hatred of war of the peoples of Great Britain and America was the measure of their determination to achieve victory.

Mr. McCormack said he was inspired by the fusion of hard intelligence and idealism of the British men and women.

As one of President Wilson's political opponents hitherto, he was glad to endorse the President's war principles.

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## VIEWS OF AMERICAN OFFICIALS.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—Diplomats and American officials are astounded at the Stockholm Foreign Officer's view that there was no impropriety in permitting the German representative at Buenos Aires to communicate with Berlin through Swedish diplomatic channels.

The State Department emphasises that Sweden's simple declaration that steps will be taken to prevent a recurrence of the affair is not enough.

The matter may be the subject of a consultation between the Allies and any

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## THE INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT TO BE REMOVED FROM BERLIN.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—A conference of representatives of Entente Federations of Trade Unions, affiliated to the International Secretariat at Berlin, has concluded in London. It was unanimously resolved to remove the International Secretariat from Berlin.



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**CURIOS PANIC IN  
BOMBAY.**

**STORIES OF KIDNAPPING.**

BOMBAY, July 22.

Panic recently prevailed among the illiterate masses of the mill districts of Bombay, as the result of widespread belief in stories of kidnapping by recruiting agents and soldiers. The mill centres resounded with reports that women were warned not to attend a fair near by on 1st July. Women kept indoors with the result that the parias suffered considerably in their income. There has been a dispute about the temples. It is probable that the presence of the military camped interested persons to engineer the canards.

The conviction and severe sentence passed by a bench of Honorary Magistrates on a Sikh camp follower for molesting a native Christian woman on the 4th instant stimulated the hallucination of goasp muggers that there was wholesale kidnapping of women. Some went so far as to declare that the people were carrying away Indian women in motor cars.

Mr. Bole, a Maratha gentleman, who is the secretary of the Kangar Hita Wardhah Sabha, and two friends went round the different mill centres to ascertain the truth about the rumours.

Mill hands, on being questioned, said they had seen women taken in motor cars which contained men in khaki uniform. Efforts were successfully made to show these unsophisticated people that the motor parties may have been pleasure parties or parties of ladies driven by khaki uniformed chauffeurs.

Stray Indian soldiers suffered at the hands of mill hands. One day three of them were mobbed by mill hands and were only with difficulty rescued by some educated people who were passing. At another place soldiers entered the compound of a school where children were playing and this led to a stampede among the boys and caused a rumour that boys were being kidnapped. Yet the Maratha mill workers is not afraid of recruiters in the mill centres.

One day at a meeting addressed by three Indian gentlemen, of whom one is an officer, moving speeches were made by the men's own leaders and nearly a hundred mill hands enlisted.

The Kangar Hita Wardhah Sabha has issued handbills in Marathi calling upon the people not to rely on idle and wild rumours.

**GERMAN WAR-WEARINESS.**

Side-lights on conditions in Germany are constantly appearing in neutral countries. The latest is the report of a recently returned, Swedish working-man, a Socialist, who thus writes in the Stockholm Social Demokrat.

"The war-weariness has, of course, grown greater day by day. . . . Now, when children of eighteen and old men of forty-eight are seen driven to the railway stations like fresh beasts to be slaughtered, there are no flowers thrown and no singing any longer. The days of glory and jubilation of the patriotic bluff are at an end even in military Germany! . . . The name of the Somme even to the Germans is now the great monster grave; they acknowledge this themselves. They also admit that Germany must return Belgium, the occupied parts of France, and perhaps Alsace-Lorraine also. Such things are, of course, spoken of very cautiously, but we have heard them even from soldiers who come from the front, who are thrown from one front to another in order to break up discontent by this means."

**THE SIN OF WORRYING.**

A wise Kentucky bishop, preaching in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine recently, denounced our national tendency to worry a size equal to that of strong drink. "Worry weakens the heart and hardens the arteries," he said.

"Worry wastes life. It destroys more than gain or vice. It is always a personal weakness."

All of this and more besides is perfectly true. The sorrows that dog our footsteps through life are those of the past, the present and the future, and of them the actual sufferings of the moment are the easiest to bear. The miseries that we have endured in the past lesson with the flight of time, and are finally lost to memory. But it is worrying over what may happen in the future that causes most of our unhappiness. We never worry over what is happening or what we have all gone through. Most of the misfortunes that we brood over in deep depression of spirit never overtake us and we have all our worrying for nothing. The blows that actually fall on us generally come so unexpected that we have no time to worry over them.

It is the lesser, not the greater evil, that causes us the most anxiety. There has been far more worrying of late years over these lesser evils than over the defenceless state of the nation.—New York Herald.

**SCYPRE SOLD FOR RED CROSS.**

Remarkable figures have always been associated with Scypre, whose first sale as a yearling made quite a sensation, 10,000 guineas being given for her by Mr. Robert Sievier at the disposal of the late Duke of Westminster's stud. In two years Scypre returned him £26,592 in stakes alone. She was unfortunate in the Derby, won by an exceptionally good horse in Ard Patrick, whose owner, Mr. John Gubbins, eventually sold him to the Germans for £20,000. Scypre won all the other classic races. After an expensive failure at Lincoln in the following spring she was sold for £25,000 to Sir William Bass.

Scypre won altogether £38,225 in stakes. She was not very successful at the stud, and when Sir William Bass relinquished both breeding and racing the competition for her proved so tame that the auctioneers, Messrs. Tattersall, themselves bought her for 7,000 guineas. Mr. Musker later acquired her for some sum. Now she has been more sold, this time for the Red Cross Pumper of War Fund. Sir William Tatem, her new owner, secured her for 2,500 guineas.

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## HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

## ORDERS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

PARADES.

FRIDAY, 14th Sept. — 7.30 a.m. Right Half Company (Gun numbers detailed) at Belchers. 8.30 a.m. Right Half Company (Layers and Setters, class only) at Belchers Battery. Left Half Company (Layers and Setters only) at Belchers Battery.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

FRIDAY, 14th Sept. — 8 p.m. Members of the Corps formerly in No. 3 Platoon "A" Coy. H. K. V. R. on Kennedy Head Range under 2nd Lieut. R. Sutherland, T. E. T. (Grouping) Dress Drill Order without rifles. 8.30 p.m. Recruits of all units formerly in H. K. V. R. on Murray Parade Ground under Corporals Grimes, Edcombe, Edwards and Meade. Dress Drill Order.

5.30 a.m. Recruits (formerly H. K. V. R.) on Murray Parade Ground under Sergt. Oberholser, Dress Drill Order.

5.30 a.m. Signalling Section (members of the Corps formerly in Signalling Section in H. K. V. R. "A" and "B" Classes) at Happy Valley. Heliograph and Flag Station work.

SATURDAY, 15th Sept. — 7.10 a.m. Members of the Corps (formerly in Scouts Company), as detailed by Sergt. Major Bansky, at D. C. Headquarters. Tests of Elementary Training.

Members of the Corps formerly in No. 8 Platoon "B" Coy. H. K. V. R. and others resident in Kowloon will complete their resident at Kowloon under Sergt. T. E. T. (Grouping) at Kowloon under Sergeant Major Cooke. Time and Place to be notified later.

DETAIL.

On duty from the morning of Sunday, 9th Sept. to the morning of Sunday 16th Sept. members of the Corps formerly in H. K. V. R. Company, H. K. V. R. Orderly Officer, and Lieut. G. C. Maxton.

On duty Sept. 15th "B" Coy. No. 3 Platoon (formerly Right Sec. M. G. Co.)

On duty Sept. 15th "A" Coy. No. 4 Platoon (formerly Left Sec. M. G. Co. Civil Service Co.)

On duty Sept. 15th: Machine Gun Company (formerly Centre Sec. M. G. Co.)

On duty Sept. 16th: "A" Coy. No. 1 and 2 Platoon (formerly Scouts Co.)

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On duty Sept. 16th: "A" Coy. No. 4 Platoon (formerly Left Sec. M. G. Co. & Civil Service Co.)

Orderly Officer from 16th to 22nd Sept.

Lieut. H. W. B. Kenneth.

## OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN SEPTEMBER.

The following Table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of Sept., 1917.

Date	Ends	Begins
Sept. 13th	5.30 a.m.	6.41 p.m.
14th	5.30	6.40
15th	5.30	6.40
16th	5.30	6.39
17th	5.30	6.38
18th	5.30	6.37
19th	5.30	6.35
20th	5.30	6.35
21st	5.30	6.34
22nd	5.30	6.33
23rd	5.30	6.32
24th	5.30	6.31
25th	5.30	6.31
26th	5.30	6.30
27th	5.30	6.29
28th	5.30	6.27
29th	5.30	6.25
30th	5.30	6.24

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## HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled in the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1878-93.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart which has been found to be 4 feet 5 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide-sound at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lantau Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

September 14th to 20th, 1917.

LOW WATER	HIGH WATER
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6.2	10.2
7.2	11.2
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